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7 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
OF THE COUNTY OF ALLEN

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9 RE: LEGISLATIVE SESSION OF  
10 DECEMBER 24, 2003  
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15 DATE: December 24, 2003  
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17 TIME: 10:00 a.m.  
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19 LOCATION: Room 200  
Commissioners Courtroom  
20 City-County Building  
1 East Main Street  
Fort Wayne, Indiana 46802  
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23 REPORTER: Thomas F. Rolf  
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1 PRESENT:  
2 Edwin J. Rousseau Allen County Commissioner  
3 Marla J. Irving Allen County Commissioner  
4 Linda K. Bloom Allen County Commissioner  
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6 John McGauley Allen County Public  
Information Department  
7 Mary Hitchens Allen County Public  
Information Department  
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9 Bruce Little Allen County  
Purchasing Director  
10 G. William Fishing Allen County Counsel  
11 DeAnna Smith  
12 Sheila Hudson Allen County Community  
Corrections  
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14 Steve Poulson Allen County Community  
Corrections  
15 Kim Bowman Director, Allen County  
Department of Planning  
16 Services  
17 Allie Bowman  
18 Katie Bowman  
19 Ed Steenman Information Technology  
Services Coordinator

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Chuck Bodenhafer	President, Allen County Plan Commission
Tera Klutz	
Sandra Flum	
David Fuller	Building Department
Kathryn Stevens	Captain, Allen County Sheriff's Department
Thomas F. Rolf	Rolf Reporting, Inc.
Kevin Leininger	News Sentinel
Dan Stockman	Journal Gazette

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  - 91-3286-2129 602 E. Lewis Street
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9 Microsoft Access Program - Address Book  
 \$ 135.79  
 10 Total  
 \$12,911.27

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 12 Community Corrections  
 Digital Video System (camera, desktop PC,  
 digital video editing software)  
 13 \$ 5,500.00  
 Three (3) OEM Mobile Data Terminals &  
 14 Spillman Rover Software  
 \$20,500.00  
 15 Three (3) Kodak Easy-Share Cameras, Chargers,  
 and Photo Printer Docking Station  
 16 \$ 1,215.00  
 Two (2) PCs/MS Office XP Professional  
 17 One (1) 17" Monitor  
 \$ 2,003.00  
 18 Three (3) Microsoft XP Professional  
 Three (3) Century Software Tiny Term  
 19 \$ 1,353.00  
 One (1) MapInfo Professional  
 20 \$ 1,327.00  
 Total  
 21 \$30,584.27  
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1 IRVING: Good morning, and welcome to our Christmas  
2 Eve Day Legislative Session, December 24, 2003.  
3 Before we get started, Commissioner Rousseau, would  
4 you like to lead us in the pledge and a moment of  
5 silence?

6 (At this time the Pledge of Allegiance is  
7 recited, followed by a moment of silence.)

8 ROUSSEAU: Thank you.

9 IRVING: Thank you. Approval of the minutes for the  
10 December 17th Legislative--

11 ROUSSEAU: So moved.

12 IRVING: --Session.

13 BLOOM: Second.

14 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."

15 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

16 BLOOM: Aye.

17 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. You got to make the  
18 first motion.

19 ROUSSEAU: Now, I jumped in there because Linda's  
20 normally a little quicker than I am.

21 IRVING: She's being nice to you. It's Christmas  
22 Eve. We're going to have a public hearing today on  
23 the transfer of certified real estate property the  
24 commissioner's are eligible to take title to. Dave,  
25 I'll let you introduce yourself after I read the

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1 projects. To project renewal 91-3286-2129 on 602  
2 East Lewis Street and 91-3286-2128 at 606 East Lewis  
3 Street and 91-3286-2004, 608 East Lewis Street.

4 BLOOM: Good morning, David.

5 FULLER: Good morning, I'm Dave Fuller with the  
6 Building Department. I'm representing the Allen  
7 County Community Development Corporation today. We  
8 have three pieces of property that at one time were  
9 certified to the County, tax reverted properties, all  
10 three on East Lewis Street. Project Renew has a  
11 development that they're getting ready to start there  
12 and has asked for those properties. We went through  
13 the process. Unfortunately, our records were not  
14 real good a year or so ago when this happened, so we  
15 did not have all the complete records. As it turns  
16 out, we found that we have transferred those  
17 properties after the sale of--after the tax sale. We  
18 have quick claim deeds from the County to Proj--or  
19 from the Community Development Corporation to Project  
20 Renew, but not record that they were ever ratified  
21 through legislative session, so that's what we're  
22 asking for, and I have those if you want to look at  
23 the files to verify all those documents are in place.

24 IRVING: Commissioner Bloom, would you like to check  
25 them over?

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1 BLOOM: Yes, please.

2 IRVING: Before we proceed any farther, I'm going to

3 open the meeting for the public hearing on these  
4 three properties. Is there anyone here to speak in  
5 favor of these properties?

6 ROUSSEAU: I guess that I would just like to say that  
7 we've had this type of thing going on for quite some  
8 period of time, and what happens is the citizens of  
9 the community stop paying their property taxes for  
10 whatever reason. Most of it, the economic value of  
11 that property goes down to nothing. It probably has  
12 been a rental unit at some period of time, and over  
13 that period of years, it hasn't been kept up. With  
14 standards being what they are, you'd have to spend  
15 20, 30, \$40,000.00 to fix the house up, and then the  
16 income doesn't justify the expense of doing that, so  
17 there--and it goes back to the City. They have a  
18 program of tearing down about--at least they did in  
19 the past--about 200 houses. I don't know if it's  
20 gone up. They could probably--could tear down three  
21 or four hundred, and so the properties, in effect, no  
22 one pays on them. It comes back to the County  
23 because of a lack of payment of taxes, and what we're  
24 doing, we have a process here as to where we can get  
25 them back into the marketplace. Now, it doesn't-

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1 hundreds of them going back, but we have quite a few  
2 that go back, and we've had to refine it over the  
3 last couple years because of certain legal  
4 opportunities that we've had, and so I would hope  
5 that we can do a lot more than this. We do have them  
6 come in periodically. That's all I have to say.  
7 It's windy, but--

8 IRVING: We appreciate your involvement and your  
9 support in this project, Commissioner Rousseau.  
10 Commissioner Bloom just brought up a question here as  
11 I asked her to review these. Mr. Fuller, the  
12 paperwork that we have has got the wrong numbers on  
13 them.

14 BLOOM: The--

15 ROUSSEAU: Addresses?

16 IRVING: The key numbers.

17 BLOOM: --the--

18 ROUSSEAU: Project?

19 IRVING: No, the key numbers on the quick claim--

20 BLOOM: Which was dated the 5th of February of 2003,  
21 so I understand we're just checking up on some  
22 paperwork, but there was actually a key number  
23 changed here, and it doesn't match up.

24 ROUSSEAU: Well, this is--

25 FULLER: The key number transfer is to a not-for

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1 profit key number versus the previous.  
2 ROUSSEAU: But that one would be the correct number,  
3 and this should read the same as what--the document  
4 you have.

5 BLOOM: That's what I'm trying to--

6 ROUSSEAU: Read the--read the numbers off of the  
7 deeds, and that way we should be insured that we're  
8 doing the right thing.

9 BLOOM: I understand that the five goes where the two  
10 was, right?

11 FULLER: When it goes to the County, I believe that's  
12 the case, yes. Yes.  
13 BLOOM: That's--okay, but--  
14 FULLER: And then once it transfers to a not-for-  
15 profit, the number changes again, as I understand it,  
16 to a not-for-profit--  
17 BLOOM: Okay.  
18 FULLER: --number.  
19 BLOOM: I think for the record, though, that I would  
20 prefer having the correct key numbers on our agenda.  
21 FULLER: Okay.  
22 BLOOM: So I'd like to--  
23 IRVING: Well, I think--  
24 BLOOM: --see these--  
25 ROUSSEAU: Well why--

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1 IRVING: --as long--  
2 ROUSSEAU: --we just--  
3 IRVING: --as--  
4 ROUSSEAU: --amend it?  
5 IRVING: --wait.  
6 ROUSSEAU: There's only three of them.  
7 BLOOM: I know.  
8 IRVING: There's three of them and we've read the  
9 addresses. Is the--would--  
10 ROUSSEAU: Are there--  
11 IRVING: --the key--  
12 ROUSSEAU: --more than that?  
13 IRVING: --number--would the key number override the  
14 address of record?  
15 BLOOM: As long as the--no. As long as the addresses  
16 are correct, and I'll check those.  
17 IRVING: Okay, 608 East Lewis.  
18 BLOOM: Yes.  
19 IRVING: 606 East Lewis.  
20 BLOOM: Lewis.  
21 IRVING: And 602.  
22 BLOOM: That's correct.  
23 IRVING: Okay, then I--  
24 BLOOM: So actually, we're just--because this  
25 paperwork was lost or something?

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1 FULLER: It was misplaced, probably in our filing  
2 system, and we have since, over the last year, gone  
3 back and--  
4 BLOOM: I'd like to--  
5 FULLER: --found all those.  
6 BLOOM: --make a motion--  
7 IRVING: No, you can't make a motion yet. We have to  
8 ask--is there anyone else in favor--we're in a public  
9 hearing stage. Is there anyone here to--  
10 BLOOM: Who could tell?  
11 IRVING: --speak against? Is there anyone here to  
12 speak against? Hearing none, I'd like to have a  
13 motion to close the public hearing.  
14 ROUSSEAU: Okay, I make a motion we close the public  
15 hearing.  
16 BLOOM: Second.  
17 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."  
18 ROUSSEAU: Aye.  
19 BLOOM: Aye.

20 IRVING: Aye. Now, I will take a motion on how to  
21 proceed on the properties on 602, 606, and 608 East  
22 Lewis Street.  
23 BLOOM: I would like to make a motion that we are  
24 taking title to and transferring to Project Renew on  
25 these three parcels.

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1 ROUSSEAU: Are you going to read the correct numbers  
2 into the record?  
3 IRVING: Were we just going to go by the addresses?  
4 BLOOM: I'll take the addresses.  
5 ROUSSEAU: Okay.  
6 BLOOM: 602 East Lewis, 606 East Lewis, and 608 East  
7 Lewis.  
8 ROUSSEAU: Okay, good. I second.  
9 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."  
10 ROUSSEAU: Aye.  
11 BLOOM: Aye.  
12 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Thank you--  
13 BLOOM: Thank you.  
14 FULLER: Thank you very much.  
15 IRVING: --very much, Mr. Fuller, and we appreciate  
16 your hard efforts on this.  
17 BLOOM: Merry Christmas.  
18 FULLER: Thank you.  
19 BLOOM: It was confusing.  
20 IRVING: We're going to have the introduction of a  
21 fee ordinance for the Allen County On-Site Waste  
22 Management District. Good morning, Sandra.  
23 BLOOM: Good morning.  
24 FLUM: Good morning.  
25 IRVING: You look like you're ready for Christmas

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1 tomorrow.  
2 FLUM: Yes, Merry Christmas to the Commissioners.  
3 BLOOM: Merry Christmas.  
4 FLUM: I'm here to provide you information about the  
5 On-Site Waste Water Management District. You adopted  
6 an ordinance to create the district in June, and so  
7 that district has been in effect since the beginning  
8 of July of this year, and now that IDEM is getting  
9 close to finalizing what they need to do for us on  
10 discharging systems, we need to move forward and--and  
11 finish this ordinance out, which means we will be  
12 coming before you, introducing a proposed fee  
13 ordinance. What this ordinance does is establishes a  
14 fund so that any money collected under the name of  
15 this district can be used for the benefit of the  
16 district, and it also sets forth fees that will be  
17 charged to be members of the On-Site Waste Water  
18 Management District. Now, I don't know if you need  
19 reminded about how this all came about, but it stems  
20 from having maybe a hundred home owners who could not  
21 do anything with their septic systems, could not  
22 replace them, and so this is a two-year process of  
23 trying to help those people through, basically, the  
24 legal system of--of getting their properties upgraded  
25 so that they're usable. We will be publishing notice

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1 of this--of this ordinance, and then we will come



2 back to you in a couple of weeks for a public hearing  
3 on the fees established in the ordinance. In the  
4 meantime, I think we'll try to get this on the  
5 website next week so that people who are--have an  
6 interest can--can either log onto the website and see  
7 what the proposed ordinance is, and we will be  
8 notifying people directly who are immediately  
9 affected by it.

10 IRVING: Well, thank you very much for the update,  
11 and we'll look forward to seeing you with the  
12 complete ordinance. Thank you.

13 BLOOM: Thank you.

14 IRVING: Item agenda four and five I would like to  
15 take together. Good morning, Kim.

16 BOWMAN: Good morning.

17 BLOOM: Good morning.

18 IRVING: Kim Bowman is here to speak, and also I have  
19 requested that the President of our Plan Commission  
20 which also has been on the visioning committee for  
21 the Comprehensive Plan. Kim's going to--after she  
22 introduces herself--will go into a little bit more  
23 detail, but I asked Mr. Bodenhafer to please attend  
24 with us today after the discussion that was last  
25 night at City Council. The three County

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1 representatives on this committee is Kim Bowman as  
2 being Executive Director of the Department of  
3 Planning Services, and Mr. Bodenhafer from being  
4 President of the Allen County Plan Commission, and  
5 myself as being not only the County Commissioner, but  
6 the representative on Plan Commission. We are  
7 looking at approving two contracts today. One of  
8 them is with the Sagamore Associates and a fee of not  
9 to exceed \$3,000.00, and also the approval of the ACP  
10 Visioning and Planning out of Columbus, Ohio, and our  
11 share of that is not to exceed \$100,000.00 which we  
12 have been holding for probably around a year as we've  
13 been going through the process. So, if you would  
14 allow me to turn the floor over to Kim Bowman, she  
15 can give you the background, and then I will finish  
16 up with the final discussion. Thank you.

17 BOWMAN: Thank you. My name is Kim Bowman. I'm  
18 Executive Director of the Department of Planning  
19 Services. As Commissioner Irving said today, I'm  
20 here to ask for your approval for two contracts for  
21 the Comprehensive Plan. I don't know if--how  
22 familiar you are with our current Comprehensive Plan.  
23 It--this is my copy, kind of beaten--

24 ROUSSEAU: Twenty [20] years old or something.

25 BOWMAN: It was adopted in--in 1976 and--

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1 IRVING: The day I graduated from college. Look how  
2 old I am now, Ed.

3 ROUSSEAU: Well, I was serving this wonderful  
4 community in the position of the County Councilman,  
5 and I have a steel-trap mind. I remember exactly  
6 every word in that book.

7 BOWMAN: Remember the day--

8 IRVING: Well, we needed him on City Council last  
9 night. We should have turned back the time. That  
10 really fit--

11 ROUSSEAU: How'd I do?  
12 IRVING: --that's good. Turn back the hands of time.  
13 BOWMAN: In this plan--in the plan there is a land-  
14 use map, and there's a lot of things that have  
15 happened in our community that aren't in this plan.  
16 I-469 is not shown or mentioned in this plan.  
17 General Motors, the--all the development in Aboite  
18 Township and in Perry Township, but legally, there's  
19 really two documents that the Plan Commission uses,  
20 and the Commissioners, for making land-use decisions:  
21 the comprehensive plan and also the zoning ordinance.  
22 The zoning ordinance are the regulations, the tools  
23 that carry out the comprehensive plan. So how did we  
24 get to this point? Obviously there's a real need to  
25 update the comprehensive plan. There has been.

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1 There have been previous attempts that have not come  
2 to fruition as far as a County comprehensive plan.  
3 Seeing the need for this, the City's comprehensive  
4 plan was adopted in 1982, also another document that  
5 needs to be updated. Through the leadership of  
6 Commissioner Irving it was decided that this would be  
7 a joint project with the City and the County, so as--  
8 as working together, a request for a proposal was  
9 developed. It was sent out. I believe we worked  
10 with Bruce Little. There were--there were probably  
11 70, 80 hits on the Purchasing Department's website.  
12 Proposals were due in March of this year. We  
13 received nine proposals from consulting firms from  
14 all over the country. The 4C committee met, reviewed  
15 the proposals, interviewed four firms, narrowed it  
16 down to two firms, and then selected ACP from  
17 Columbus, Ohio. I think they have some real  
18 strengths that can really take the comprehensive plan  
19 and to drive that to a--drive the community to  
20 develop its goals in land-use strategies. They've  
21 done other work in similar communities: Chattanooga,  
22 they were involved with the World Trade Center.  
23 They're very strong in envisioning and helping  
24 communities realize their future and strategies with  
25 that. In the documents that I have just passed out

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1 to you, a proposed contract with ACP includes a scope  
2 of services. There's five elements to that scope  
3 including project set-up. There's a lot of  
4 organizing that needs to be done as far as committee  
5 set-up, scheduling, more procedural issues.  
6 Visioning, which is heavy on community meetings,  
7 community input, a look at existing conditions and  
8 trends, and after that the draft policies will be  
9 developed, and then eventually the adoption. There  
10 are some very unique elements to this--to this scope,  
11 which includes--it is very heavy on community input.  
12 There are chances for participation; there's elected  
13 officials' round-tables; community representative  
14 round-tables; it's driven by a comprehensive plan  
15 committee; there's work groups. We're hoping to get  
16 a lot of people involved and into the process, so  
17 today, for your considerations, are two contracts.  
18 One with Sagamore Associates, that is a local firm,

19 John Stafford, to provide some background work with  
20 his experience with both the City and the County and  
21 the Chamber, that it was felt by the committee that  
22 his background and, kind of, assembly of issues that  
23 have occurred in the County would be very helpful.  
24 The County share is not to exceed \$3,000.00, and the  
25 amount will be coming from the D.P.S. budget. The

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1 other contract for your consideration is with ACP out  
2 of Columbus, Ohio. The County share is not to exceed  
3 100,000 [\$100,000.00]. That's the way the contract  
4 is written. I would like to add Mr. Fishing, Mr.  
5 Bob Eherenman, Plan Commission attorney, have  
6 reviewed the contracts for the County as well as the  
7 City has also been in review of the contracts. Could  
8 I answer any questions?

9 IRVING: Well, why don't let--maybe if we can hold  
10 our questions for one moment. Mr. Bodenhafer, is  
11 there anything you would like to add?

12 BODENHAFER: I think what I would like to add is that  
13 in the scope of this project, which we all know is  
14 approximately \$378,000.00 is the final result, we  
15 directed staff through the 4C committee, both the  
16 City and the County staff, to go to negotiate with  
17 ACP to try to obtain the lowest quote that we could  
18 for them and also the scope of the project to try to  
19 see if it could be kept within what we thought the  
20 initial budget was allocated for this project which  
21 was \$300,000.00. At all times, all parties were,  
22 namely the City and County, participants and the 4C  
23 committee were aware of this project and the dollars  
24 that were allocated originally, and when it came back  
25 and we determined that the scope was accurate and

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1 what we wanted and that the final negotiated price  
2 was the 378,000 [\$378,000.00], everyone was aware of  
3 that, and only for recollection, and I'm not trying  
4 to speak on behalf of Commissioner Irving and myself,  
5 but we knew that the County did not have any extra  
6 funds since that total amount was 378,000  
7 [\$378,000.00], so we informed the 4C committee of  
8 that--of that fact, and at that time they had said on  
9 behalf of the City that they would come up with the  
10 additional money, the additional \$78,000.00--plus from  
11 various sources unknown to us necessarily, but that  
12 they could come up with that, and so our portion was  
13 to remain at the \$100,000.00, but everyone was aware  
14 of that that was participating on the 4C, so I just  
15 wanted to make everyone aware of that.

16 IRVING: And I think we also need to add to that  
17 comment, too, and please feel free to jump in, either  
18 one of you two, the \$78,000.00 which seems to have  
19 been somewhat of the discussion last night at City  
20 Council, it was really the scope of the services that  
21 had been added to and subtracted and added to and  
22 subtracted. The County basically stayed with our  
23 scope of services, and the City found in some  
24 redevelopment that they would like to have some more  
25 input, and of course when you add more it makes the

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1 cost go up. It's just like going out to dinner and

2 ordering dessert. It's going to add to your bill.  
3 So, the funds--we have had the funds, and if I had  
4 felt that our scope of services should have been  
5 expanded and if--with the input of the two of you, I  
6 mean, I would have felt that the City would not have  
7 been responsible to pay for our expansion of the  
8 scope of services for the County, either, but the  
9 City said that they felt very comfortable with what  
10 they were doing and they added to the scope of  
11 service. Is that correct?

12 BOWMAN: Yes.

13 BODENHAFFER: That's correct, uh-huh (affirmative).

14 IRVING: Well.

15 ROUSSEAU: I don't have any--I don't have any  
16 questions.

17 BLOOM: I do not.

18 IRVING: Boy, you guys are really good today. This  
19 must be my Christmas present. I also want to add  
20 that this historic here in Allen County. We are  
21 taking a comprehensive plan over a 25-year length of  
22 time which is--and hopefully it will be updated every  
23 five years from there, which of course it should be.  
24 This is what cooperation between the City and the  
25 County government is all about, and these type of

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1 plans so that we can grow in an organized fashion, so  
2 when economic development, we have people that are  
3 going to come in and are looking at areas, they have  
4 an idea of how do we plan to grow, and as I have said  
5 for the last three years that I have been a County  
6 Commissioner, I would love to be able to get ahead on  
7 infrastructure. It seems like development is--  
8 infrastructure is always following development. This  
9 will give us a plan to maybe get out in front with  
10 the infrastructure so we become better prepared to  
11 assist Commissioner Rousseau when he's talking to  
12 companies with economic development, and that we're  
13 ready--that we can compete in other areas that have  
14 been able to do this.

15 BLOOM: Do you want to take them separately or  
16 together?

17 IRVING: I think we ought to take them separately. I  
18 wanted to discuss them together. I'll accept a  
19 motion on the contract with Sagamore and Associates  
20 not to exceed \$3,000.00 from the County.

21 BLOOM: I'll make that motion.

22 ROUSSEAU: I'll second it.

23 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."

24 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

25 BLOOM: Aye.

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1 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. And I'll accept a  
2 motion for the contract with ACP Visioning and  
3 Planning out of Columbus, Ohio--

4 ROUSSEAU: I'll make a motion to pass that.

5 IRVING: --not to--

6 BLOOM: Second.

7 IRVING: --not to exceed \$100,000.00--

8 ROUSSEAU: Yes.

9 IRVING: --which, in the CREDIT dollars, that's how

10 it's divided. The County gets a third [1/3], the  
11 City gets 2/3, and that's how the 100,000.00-  
12 200,000.00 came together. Okay, it's been moved and  
13 seconded. All in favor say "aye."  
14 ROUSSEAU: Aye.  
15 BLOOM: Aye.  
16 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried.  
17 BOWMAN: Thank you very much.  
18 IRVING: Thank you very much.  
19 BODENHAFER: Thank you.  
20 IRVING: I appreciate it.  
21 BODENHAFER: We look forward to this.  
22 IRVING: Thanks for bringing your daughters to work  
23 today, too. They kind of snuck out so they couldn't  
24 get on TV.  
25 BOWMAN: That's okay.

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1 IRVING: And thank you very much Mr. Bodenhafer.  
2 BODENHAFER: You're more than welcome.  
3 IRVING: We have--the three of us have had over 30  
4 meetings--between 30 and 40 meetings, and many of  
5 them lasting the entire day. We appreciate all of  
6 the blood, sweat, and tears.  
7 BODENHAFER: Well, thank you, and, likewise, I think  
8 it is historic as you mentioned, and it's nice to  
9 work with the City on such a good project, so thank  
10 you very much.  
11 ROUSSEAU: I think it's a case where the  
12 administration part of it without--front of some of  
13 the legislators, you know, the City Council on the  
14 issue, because it didn't seem to be--I'm only going  
15 by what--what I read in the papers, and--but it  
16 seemed to be that's what happened, that there should  
17 have been probably a little more communication at  
18 their end.  
19 BODENHAFER: Certainly not, I mean, on the 4C  
20 committee, I mean, everybody was very well aware of--  
21 everything was taking place like that, so we  
22 certainly don't want to start with any negativism, so--  
23 ROUSSEAU: Even I can catch something after thirty-  
24 some meetings going on.  
25 IRVING: I did get a call from Councilman Smith this

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1 morning that I would like to share with both of you,  
2 and he has invited me and the both of you if you  
3 would like to appear before City Council if it is on  
4 the agenda for the January 6th meeting.  
5 ROUSSEAU: We should also have the administrative  
6 members that were part of the City's--  
7 IRVING: Right.  
8 ROUSSEAU: --communication here on the issue should  
9 be there also.  
10 BODENHAFER: Good idea.  
11 IRVING: I think the same people that presented it  
12 last night will probably have to because that was  
13 their administrative--Pam Holocher and Pat Fahey.  
14 BODENHAFER: And Mark Becker.  
15 IRVING: Yeah, but Mark was not there.  
16 BODENHAFER: Oh, wasn't he?  
17 IRVING: Mark didn't present. I think he may be  
18 celebrating Christmas already like we--

19 BODENHAFFER: Lucky him.  
20 IRVING: --should be.  
21 BOWMAN: Thank you very much.  
22 IRVING: Thank you very much.  
23 BLOOM: Merry Christmas.  
24 IRVING: And have a happy holiday.  
25 BODENHAFFER: Merry Christmas to you, too, thank you.

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1 BLOOM: Thank you.  
2 IRVING: Bid award recommendation for personal  
3 computers and printers for the first half of 2004.  
4 Good morning.  
5 LITTLE: Good morning, Commissioners.  
6 BLOOM: Good morning.  
7 IRVING: Happy holidays.  
8 LITTLE: I'm Bruce Little, Director of Purchasing for  
9 Allen County  
10 STEENMAN: Ed Steenman, IT Services Coordinator for  
11 Allen County.  
12 LITTLE: About a month ago, the Board of  
13 Commissioners opened up bids for the purchase of  
14 personal computers and printers for the first half of  
15 2004. It's taken us a few weeks to full evaluate the  
16 bids that were submitted, and we've got our  
17 recommendations today. For the bids on the personal  
18 computers, the apparently low bidder was IBM Direct.  
19 We asked them to submit a unit similar to what they  
20 had bid, and ACS, our computer folks downstairs, went  
21 ahead and evaluated that unit as far as how it met  
22 with out specifications. It turns out that there  
23 were several areas where their machine did not meet  
24 the minimum specifications we had laid out. Just to  
25 briefly mention them: the PC main board that was bid

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1 was a mini-ATX and we had asked for a standard foot  
2 print; the PC had only three PCI slots, we had asked  
3 for six; the PC had only one serial port, we had  
4 asked for two; and the PC had a 230-watt power  
5 supply, we had asked for a minimum of 250. The  
6 current PC we're getting, by the way, has a 300-watt  
7 power supply. Based on these discrepancies, we  
8 wanted to take a look at the second place bid, and  
9 that was submitted by Arsis Inatech. We also asked  
10 them so send us a unit for evaluation, and their unit  
11 did indeed meet the minimum specifications that we  
12 had published. Therefore, on the PC, I'm asking that  
13 the Board of Commissioners award that contract to  
14 Arsis Inatech as have the low responsive and  
15 responsible bid. The contract would be in the amount  
16 of \$875.00, which represents a unit of one of each  
17 item bid.  
18 BLOOM: Right.  
19 LITTLE: The second contract is for printers and  
20 peripheral equipment. Again, IBM was the apparent  
21 low bidder. We evaluated the machines that they  
22 offered and the prices and confirmed that they did  
23 indeed submit the low bid, so I'm asking that that  
24 contract be awarded to IBM Direct, being the low  
25 bidder, in the amount of \$6,693.60.

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1 IRVING: I want to congratulate, Bruce, you and--  
2 ROUSSEAU: Ed.  
3 IRVING: --Ed--  
4 ROUSSEAU: I've got that one--  
5 IRVING: --Eddy--  
6 ROUSSEAU: --down.  
7 IRVING: --I was going to say Eddy, but he hates  
8 that, but we'll say Eddy--that you do have a model  
9 sent in here to evaluate before we go ahead. I'm  
10 very impressed that you did that. We found last  
11 time, too, that there were some--oh, we couldn't get  
12 them to send a machine--the low bidder--for computer  
13 --wasn't it last--  
14 LITTLE: We had some problems with a previous  
15 contractor.  
16 IRVING: --and I think it's great that we have a  
17 chance to look the machine over and make sure because  
18 we keep our--our equipment for an extended length of  
19 time, and we need to make sure we know what we're  
20 getting.  
21 LITTLE: Right.  
22 IRVING: I applaud your efforts, both of you, and  
23 also Brian for his time spent. May I have a motion  
24 to accept the contract?  
25 BLOOM: So moved.

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1 ROUSSEAU: Second.  
2 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."  
3 ROUSSEAU: Aye.  
4 BLOOM: Aye.  
5 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried.  
6 LITTLE: And that is for both contracts?  
7 IRVING: Thank you.  
8 LITTLE: Okay.  
9 STEENMAN: Thank you.  
10 ROUSSEAU: I'd have got at assessing this thing, but  
11 I'd figured that they're, you know, they were able to  
12 get on it real quick, and I--rather than hold it up,  
13 I just let them study it.  
14 LITTLE: Merry Christmas, Commissioners.  
15 IRVING: Now, I'm not going to touch--  
16 BLOOM: Merry Christmas.  
17 IRVING: --that one.  
18 ROUSSEAU: I'm just kidding.  
19 IRVING: I don't want coal in my stocking tonight.  
20 Merry Christmas, guys. Okay, approval of a purchase  
21 agreement with Spillman for the Sheriff's Department  
22 for a mobile data terminal, and the cost is \$1700.00.  
23 Well, good morning. How are you?  
24 BLOOM: Good morning.  
25 STEVENS: Good morning, Commissioners.

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1 IRVING: I thought you'd been avoiding us. You  
2 haven't been here for probably a month.  
3 STEVENS: Well, I'm trying to give you a break.  
4 BLOOM: Give us a break.  
5 ROUSSEAU: Good move. She's very perceptive.  
6 STEVENS: I knew Ed would appreciate it, yes. I'm  
7 Captain Kathryn Stevens with the Allen County  
8 Sheriff's Department, and we have purchased with our  
9 local law enforcement block grant dollars some mobile

10 data terminals which require software and the rover  
11 requires some maintenance, and this is a contract for  
12 the maintenance for those three pieces of equipment  
13 in the amount of \$1700.00.

14 BLOOM: So moved.

15 ROUSSEAU: Second.

16 IRVING: All in favor say "aye"

17 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

18 BLOOM: Aye.

19 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Also the Sheriff's  
20 Department is requesting the purchase of a Microsoft  
21 Access program address book?

22 STEVENS: Yes, it's a software program in Microsoft  
23 that provides the ability for our new sector  
24 Lieutenants with our community-oriented policing to  
25 be able to manage their contacts more easily with the

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1 neighborhood associations and so forth, and they're  
2 going to use it quite extensively. Your "Eddy" or Ed  
3 Steenman is going to assist us in making sure that  
4 we're coordinating with ACS on training and so forth,  
5 so--

6 IRVING: The price on that is \$135.79.

7 STEVENS: Correct.

8 BLOOM: So moved.

9 ROUSSEAU: Second.

10 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."

11 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

12 BLOOM: Aye.

13 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried.

14 STEVENS: Thank you. Merry Christmas.

15 IRVING: Merry Christmas--

16 BLOOM: Merry Christmas.

17 ROUSSEAU: Merry Christmas.

18 IRVING: --to you. Next on the agenda is  
19 hardware/software requests for Community Corrections,  
20 a total of \$29,584.27--

21 BLOOM: Good morning.

22 IRVING: --a digital video system that's a camera,  
23 desktop PC, digital video editing software, three OEM  
24 mobile data terminals, Spillman Rover software, three  
25 Kodak Easy Share cameras, chargers and photo printer,

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1 docking stations, two PCs, Microsoft XP Professional  
2 with one 17" monitor, three Microsoft XP  
3 Professional/3 Century Software Tiny Term, and one  
4 MapInfo Professional. You wanted to get it in before  
5 the end of the year. Before you introduce  
6 yourselves, I--I was amazed at the data board when  
7 Steve gave his presentation, that the time management  
8 that you are going to save with the purchase of this,  
9 I mean, I was thoroughly amazed that this had not  
10 been a request that had been brought forth a long  
11 time ago, so I applaud your efforts, because I think  
12 it--it definitely is going to save time for you.

13 HUDSON: Thank you, Commissioner. Good morning, I'm  
14 Sheila Hudson. I'm the Executive Director of Allen  
15 County Community Corrections. As we're going into  
16 the 19th year of Community Corrections, I--I wanted  
17 to be here today to thank the three of you, because



18 ultimately the buck stops with you, both  
19 programmatically and fiscally, and I want to  
20 introduce to you Steve Poulson who's the center  
21 administrator, and, like you said, Commissioner  
22 Irving--well I guess I said this about myself--one of  
23 the things that I do well is hire staff that really  
24 know their stuff, and that's Mr. Poulson.  
25 BLOOM: That's the key.

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1 HUDSON: Yes, it is.  
2 IRVING: Oh, geez, did his head just swell. It's  
3 probably going to get outside the TV camera now.  
4 POULSON: I have to get a new hat.  
5 HUDSON: And when you were reading the information on  
6 what we're requesting today, I want to say that none  
7 of this is out of the County general fund. It's  
8 through the Community Corrections grants and other  
9 grants that we have, and I would like to turn it  
10 over, if it's all right with you, to Steve to  
11 explain.  
12 POULSON: I know there's a lot of stuff on here. It  
13 breaks down into three or four different categories  
14 as you noticed in the data board when I presented it.  
15 The first--the first item is the digital video  
16 system. What--what we're going to do with that, as I  
17 explained, is we are--we intend to create our own  
18 video presentations to free up some manpower that  
19 we're currently using. We're having case managers  
20 and other staff do orientations with offenders  
21 approximately five times a week, and there's usually  
22 two or three staff members in each of those  
23 orientations. Our intention is to put this on video  
24 tape, transfer it to--or present it to the offenders  
25 in a video form so every offender gets the exact same

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1 information every week at every orientation, and it--  
2 then we can get down to one staff member to be there  
3 to answer questions. We think it's going to save  
4 probably in the neighborhood of 15 to 18 man hours a  
5 week by--

6 BLOOM: A lot.  
7 POULSON: --by doing that, which will eventually pay  
8 for itself, and that includes the high end digital  
9 video camera, a robust desktop computer, and the  
10 digital video editing software. My initial estimate  
11 on that was \$4500.00. Since our Data Board meeting,  
12 I have talked to Arsis about the exact specifications  
13 of the computer that we need, and it was  
14 approximately a thousand dollars more because of the  
15 extra hard drive space and the extra RAM, so I--I'd  
16 like to amend that upwards to \$5500.00 instead of  
17 \$4500.00.

18 BLOOM: Okay.  
19 IRVING: Well, how about if, since you haven't got an  
20 exact amount, we do a not to exceed \$5500.00. Is  
21 that fair?

22 POULSON: That's fine.

23 IRVING: Okay.

24 POULSON: The next item on here is three OEM mobile  
25 data terminals which are the mobile data terminals

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1 recommended by ACS that the City police are using for  
2 a total cost on that of \$20,500.00. That will--that  
3 will allow our officers to access information of  
4 Spillman data and Rover in their vehicles and also  
5 allow for mapping. Sometimes they go out to  
6 addresses that are kind of tough to find--

7 BLOOM: Right.

8 POULSON: --especially when they do their initial  
9 home visits and can't find the location. They'll be  
10 able to do that from their cars as well as messaging  
11 between communications and the officers. And the  
12 next item is three Kodak digital cameras, chargers,  
13 and a photo printer docking station. Right now we  
14 currently have one digital camera that the officers  
15 use for taking pictures of evidence in the field  
16 whether they run across somebody that has some dope  
17 or paraphernalia or possible somebody absconds from  
18 the programs and cuts off their anklet, the officers  
19 have to take a photograph of that for court, and what  
20 they're doing now is we've only got one digital  
21 camera, so it stays at the office. If they run into  
22 a situation in the field, somebody has to go back to  
23 the office and get that camera and bring it back out  
24 to them.

25 IRVING: That's what I said. When he said that, I

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1 said this is like a no-brainer. I mean, I cannot  
2 believe that you have not had some type of camera  
3 system that have stayed with these cars for this  
4 exact reason. Okay take--

5 POULSON: Then there's--there's more if you want me  
6 to go into it.

7 IRVING: No, we've already been through all of this,  
8 and the other ones are just programs.

9 POULSON: Right.

10 IRVING: I'll take a motion, and we need to make it  
11 for \$30,584.27, right? With a not to exceed on the  
12 first item of \$5500.00.

13 ROUSSEAU: So moved. So moved.

14 IRVING: Seconded. All in favor say "aye."

15 ROUSSEAU: Aye.

16 IRVING: Motion carried.

17 BLOOM: I'm present, actually. Aye.

18 ROUSSEAU: Did you vote?

19 IRVING: Aye. Okay.

20 ROUSSEAU: I will--

21 IRVING: Commissioner Bloom has an appointment and is  
22 having to--

23 ROUSSEAU: Well, it's very--

24 IRVING: --leave.

25 ROUSSEAU: --kind of her to--

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1 IRVING: I know.

2 ROUSSEAU: --help us out. I just wanted to point out  
3 that--with the Purchasing Director here just before  
4 you and so forth buying new computers, but what a lot  
5 of that stuff that--that as we add more power, more  
6 instruments, the electric bill goes up. It--it's no  
7 --no, it does. And the heat that is generated off  
8 the machines effects the cooling. I just want to

9 throw that--and I'm all alone with knowing these  
10 little things. I wanted to share it.  
11 IRVING: Well, if--if computers are generating more  
12 heat, which I agr--I do agree with you--  
13 ROUSSEAU: They do.  
14 IRVING: --it's like Christmas trees and--  
15 ROUSSEAU: I'll--  
16 IRVING: --lights--  
17 ROUSSEAU: --guarantee you they do, yeah.  
18 IRVING: --then does that mean that our employees  
19 can't have space heaters anymore--  
20 ROUSSEAU: No.  
21 IRVING: --be--oh.  
22 POULSON: Well, that should actually save us money in  
23 the wintertime.  
24 ROUSSEAU: No, that is--no, it is--that is true.  
25 Space heaters are very expensive for us, which is why

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1 we have to keep--  
2 IRVING: Merry Christmas.  
3 BLOOM: Merry Christmas.  
4 ROUSSEAU: --why we have to keep, you know, knowing  
5 what--what it's going to run. But as we move up  
6 we've run into that. It's--I'm not blaming the whole  
7 thing on you guys. We've got--  
8 IRVING: Yes, he is.  
9 ROUSSEAU: --1400 employees, you know. I'm just  
10 saying--is that--that it's somebody--that if you're  
11 paying on utility bills, if it goes up some, you  
12 know, you have some idea why--of why it goes--you  
13 don't have hardly enough machinery--  
14 POULSON: It's probably--  
15 ROUSSEAU: --here--  
16 POULSON: --not going--  
17 ROUSSEAU: --to make--  
18 POULSON: --any better--  
19 ROUSSEAU: --that--  
20 POULSON: --either.  
21 ROUSSEAU: --much difference, but I'm just saying, it  
22 does drive up the utility. I'm just trying to--  
23 IRVING: Sometimes--you know what--  
24 ROUSSEAU: --it's hard to get any respect here, and  
25 that's why I'm working--

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1 IRVING: --you know, sometimes it's just amazing how  
2 people's minds work.  
3 ROUSSEAU: Yeah, it really is. That mine's working  
4 at all is a real blessing.  
5 IRVING: Well, mine, too.  
6 POULSON: Thank you very much and--  
7 HUDSON: Thank you. Merry Christmas.  
8 IRVING: Merry Christmas to you. I think--I think  
9 Linda had a--I think she has an appointment with  
10 Santa Claus and she needs to get her--her gifts  
11 together for tonight. Next on the agenda is change  
12 orders for the Allen County Justice Center. Great  
13 Oaks Construction, Change Order 34 for 3114  
14 [\$3,114.00]; Weigand Construction, Change Order  
15 number 48 for \$584.61; Hall Aluminum Products, Change  
16 Order number 4 for \$220.00; Rosema Corporation,  
17 Change Order 17 for \$510.00; and Williams Painting

18 Company, \$200.00. And Commissioner Bloom has  
19 reviewed this and said they're all fine.  
20 ROUSSEAU: So moved.  
21 IRVING: Seconded.  
22 ROUSSEAU: All--  
23 IRVING: All in favor say "aye."  
24 ROUSSEAU: Aye.  
25 IRVING: Aye. Motion carried. Under other business, Miss Bowman, would you like to  
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1 wait till after the  
2 meeting and we will sign out plats? They are for the  
3 Villas at Twin Eagle, section number two and section  
4 K for Devils Hollow has been amended, so we can do  
5 that after the meeting.  
6 ROUSSEAU: Amber Highlands, section three.  
7 IRVING: Where's that at? Oh, I'm sorry. Amber  
8 Highlands. Am I glad you're with me today.  
9 ROUSSEAU: Well, I'm sharp--  
10 IRVING: Amber Highlands--  
11 ROUSSEAU: --as a tack. You keep seeing it.  
12 IRVING: I know.  
13 ROUSSEAU: I exhibited that.  
14 IRVING: I know. Can I have a motion--oh, first of  
15 all, do we have any other business, DeAnna?  
16 SMITH: No, we do not.  
17 IRVING: Okay, can I have a motion to waive the  
18 second reading on--  
19 ROUSSEAU: I--  
20 IRVING: --matters--  
21 ROUSSEAU: --make a--  
22 IRVING: --approved today?  
23 ROUSSEAU: --motion we waive the second reading of  
24 any matter approved today for which it may be deemed  
25 necessary for the legislative session of December  
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1 24th, 2003.  
2 IRVING: I will second that. All in favor say "aye."  
3 ROUSSEAU: Aye.  
4 IRVING: Aye. Before I--well, first of all, do we  
5 have any public comment today on Christmas Eve?  
6 Hearing none, Commissioner Rousseau, I want to thank  
7 you for a wonderful year. It's going to be a  
8 beautiful holiday season, and I'll be thinking about  
9 you tomorrow on Christmas Day.  
10 ROUSSEAU: Remember the reason for the season.  
11 IRVING: That's right. That's right. So, hearing  
12 that, Merry Christmas to all of you, and we'll see  
13 you next week. Thank you.  
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17 (Adjourned 10:35 a.m.)  
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5 I, Thomas F. Rolf, a Notary Public in and for  
6 the State of Indiana, County of Allen, do hereby  
7 certify that the above and foregoing is a true and  
8 accurate transcript of the Board of Commissioners of  
9 the County of Allen, Legislative Session, held before  
10 me on December 24, 2003 in the Allen County  
11 Commissioner's Courtroom, Room 200, City-County  
12 Building, 1 East Main Street, Fort Wayne, Allen  
13 County, Indiana; that I am not related to, employed  
14 by or interested in any of the parties to this cause  
15 of action.

16 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto affixed my  
17 hand and seal this 31st day of December, 2003.  
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